

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995



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| Application Number | 09/446,634 |
| Confirmation Number | 2661 |
| Filing Date | December 23, 1999 |
| First Named Inventor | Hiroshi HAGIYA |
| Group Art Unit | 1642 |
| Examiner Name | Misook YU |
| Matter Number | Q57282 |
| Title | NOVEL PLASMID DNA COMPRISING REPORTER GENE DNA AND USE OF THE SAME |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Previously filed
on August 19, 2003
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
Please consider and acknowledge Form PTO 1449 submitted December 23, 2003, a copy
- iii. ☒ Other submitted with the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed August 19, 2003
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed August 19, 2003
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☒ Other Statement of Substance of Interview

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ Months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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